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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: June 13, 2017

**DATE:** May 24, 2017

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

**FROM:** Al Rogers, Management Services Director  
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**THROUGH:** John Slaughter, County Manager

**SUBJECT:** Approve Commission District Special Fund disbursement [in the amount of \$4,000] for Fiscal Year 2016-2017; District 3 Commissioner Kitty Jung recommends [\$3,500] grant to Planned Parenthood to support their mission in Washoe County, and [\$500] grant to Polygrarian Institute to support their mission; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds. (Commission District 3)

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### SUMMARY

This item request the Board to approve resolution and transfer/disburse allocating district funds in the [total amount of \$4,000] for Commission District 3 to support the safe, secure, and healthy communities' initiative.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities

### PREVIOUS ACTION

January 10, 2017 – Board of County Commissioners approved allocating district 3 funds in the amount of \$16,000 to Awaken.

### BACKGROUND

Modification of guidelines and adoption of resolution for County Commission District Special Funding on February 10, 2015 created Commission District Special Funds for each Commission District. On May 17, 2016 the Board of County Commissioners approved the 16-17 Fiscal year budget with special district funds allocated per Commission District in the amount of \$20,000. The monies appropriated are to support needs for all Washoe County residents.

Funds appropriated through the Commission District Special Funds must provide substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County. The recipient must be a non-profit organization, created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, or a government entity. Funds shall

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not provide any personal or private benefit for the Commissioners, direction or indirectly benefit any campaign efforts by a commission, violate Ethics in Government law, or be used to purchase tickets to special events.

Commissioner Jung has elected to support the following organization in fiscal year 2016-17:

**District 3:**

Planned Parenthood [\$3,500] This grant will support Planned Parenthood’s mission, in Washoe County, to provide comprehensive reproductive and complementary health care services in settings which preserve and protect the essential privacy and rights of each individual, to advocate public policies which guarantee these rights and ensure access to such services, to provide educational programs which enhance understanding of individual and societal implications of human sexuality, and to promote research and the advancement of technology in reproductive health care and encourage understanding of their inherent bioethical, behavioral, and social implications.

Polygrarian Institute [\$500] This grant will support the Polygrarian Institute’s mission of cultivating community based food systems through education, research & civic engagement. The Polygrarian Institute’s vision is to grow the next generation of conscientious farmers, innovative educators, and sensible leaders that will collectively push the pendulum in a new direction. Through intensive training and mentorship programs, Polygrarians will experience the inter-connectedness of food systems and develop contemporary methods to deploy effective change in their communities.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds have been included in the FY 2016-2017 approved budget under Commission District Constituent cost centers: District 3 – 100103/710400. This action requests approval and distribution of a [total of \$4,000] as outlined.

Expense Disbursements are required as follows:

Planned Parenthood		\$3,500
Polygrarian Institute		\$500

**RECOMMENDATION**

Approve Commission District Special Fund disbursement [in the amount of \$4,000] for Fiscal Year 2016-2017; District 3 Commissioner Kitty Jung recommends [\$3,500] grant to Planned Parenthood to support their mission in Washoe County, and [\$500] grant to Polygrarian Institute to support their mission; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds.

**POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be: “ Move to approve the Commission District Special Fund disbursement [in the amount of \$4,000] for Fiscal Year 2016-2017; District 3 Commissioner Kitty Jung recommends [\$3,500] grant to Planned Parenthood to support their mission in Washoe County, and [\$500] grant to Polygrarian Institute to support their mission; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds.”

**RESOLUTION** – Authorizing the Grant of Public Money to a Nonprofit Organization Created for Religious, Charitable or Educational Purposes

WHEREAS, NRS 244.1505 provides that a Board of County Commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County and that a board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes to be expended for a selected purpose; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County upon the recommendation of Commissioner Kitty Jung for District 3, has determined that \$3,500 is needed to provide support for Planned Parenthood; and,

WHEREAS, Planned Parenthood’s mission is to provide comprehensive reproductive and complementary health care services in settings which preserve and protect the essential privacy and rights of each individual, to advocate public policies which guarantee these rights and ensure access to such services, to provide educational programs which enhance understanding of individual and societal implications of human sexuality, and to promote research and the advancement of technology in reproductive health care and encourage understanding of their inherent bioethical, behavioral, and social implications.; and now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to Planned Parenthood, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2016-2017 in the amount of \$3,500.
2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the citizens by providing support to the mission of Planned Parenthood.
3. The maximum allowable expended for this effort within Commission District Special Funding Accounts is \$3,500 and funds shall not be used to purchase of tickets to special events and shall be used within Washoe County.

ADOPTED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017

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Bob Lucey, Chair

Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:

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County Clerk

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WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County upon the recommendation of Commissioner Kitty Jung for District 3, has determined that \$500 is needed to provide support for the Polygrarian Institute; and,

WHEREAS, the Polygrarian Institute’s vision is to grow the next generation of conscientious farmers, innovative educators, and sensible leaders that will collectively push the pendulum in a new direction. Through intensive training and mentorship programs, Polygrarians will experience the inter-connectedness of food systems and develop contemporary methods to deploy effective change in their communities; and,

WHEREAS, the Polygrarian Institute’s mission is cultivating community based food systems through education, research & civic engagement; and, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of Washoe County that:

1. The Board hereby grants to Polygrarian Institute, a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable or education purposes, a grant for fiscal year 2016-2017 in the amount of \$500.
2. The Board finds that in making this grant a substantial benefit will be provided to the inhabitants for the County by building a vibrant, more resilient food system through service learning.
3. The maximum allowable expended for this effort within Commission District Special Funding Accounts is \$500 and funds shall not be used to purchase of tickets to special events.

ADOPTED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017

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